



14th International Conference
on Luminescence and
Electron Spin Resonance Dating

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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

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First announcement

The Lux laboratory team, at the Université du Québec à Montréal, is inviting you to participate in the 14th International Conference on Luminescence and Electron Spin Resonance Dating (LED 2014).

The conference will take place at the New Residence Hall (<http://www.mcgill.ca/nrh>) in Montreal, Canada, between July 7th and 11th 2014. An icebreaker reception will be held in the lounge of the NRH, on July 6th.

The conference hopes to attract a large array of fundamental as well as applied research presentations. The technical sessions should be of interest to researchers improving dating methodologies as well as to those using trapped charge dating techniques to solve geochronological problems. The topics include heated and unheated Quaternary geological, geomorphological and archaeological materials, luminescence basic physical phenomena dosimetry and advances in instrumentation.

General information

The web page of the conference will be online soon, and you can reach us by email at **LED2014@uqam.ca**. The information on the web page will be regularly updated. The online registration opens in late autumn 2013. The second circular will be sent in September 2013 ***only to those who will express their desire to receive it.***

Proceedings

Proceedings of both oral and poster presentations will be eligible for peer-reviewed publication in Radiation Measurements and Quaternary Geochronology (limited to one first-author paper per active participant).

Workshop

We would like to know if you would be interested in attending a workshop. If so, please let us know:

- a) which themes would appeal to you
- b) if you would prefer to have it on Sunday the 6th, before the icebreaker or early in the mornings during the conference.

Other suggestions are welcome.

The meeting being held in Montréal, a special feldspar workshop might be organized, covering the mineralogy, crystallography, geological contexts and what we know of their solid state physics.

Accommodation

The organisers have guaranteed a large number of places for LED participant until **May 6, 2014** at the New Residence Hall hotel, at a cost of **114 \$CAD/night** ATI, including breakfast (single (1 double bed) and double rooms (2 double beds) available). Reservations will be made by individuals contacting NRH directly and referring to the group name the **LED2014 Conference**. Guest will be individually responsible for payment of their room, taxes and incidental charges. The NRH is within the downtown cultural core, with a reasonable connection to its international airport.

The location

Montréal is internationally renowned for its cosmopolitan urban adventure, its world cuisine, its artistic and fun night life. Montréal is the host to many events and festivals, held throughout the year. In particular, we synchronized the start of LED 2014 with the 35th edition of the International Jazz Festival (<http://www.montrealjazzfest.com/default-en.aspx>) that will be held between June 27th and July 6th.

Montréal will surely meet every expectation with its numerous museums, churches, historic sites, science centers, urban parks, and multicultural quarters. Another attracting side of Montréal is its underground network, linked to underground boutiques. A modern city of high-technology, Montréal draws investors of several countries.

Although a metropolis of the New World, the boroughs of Old Montréal and Old Port remind us of its past. Visitors will be taken back to the 18th and 19th centuries, with the buildings bearing an architecture belonging to this epoch. In these neighbourhoods, one will find boutiques, restaurants, outdoor cafés and several public squares that will surely charm you.

Post-conference field trip

The conference will be followed by an optional 2-day (12th to 13th July 2014) geological and archaeological field trip that will bring the participants along the St. Lawrence River Valley, looping through Québec City and the agricultural countryside of Southern Québec.